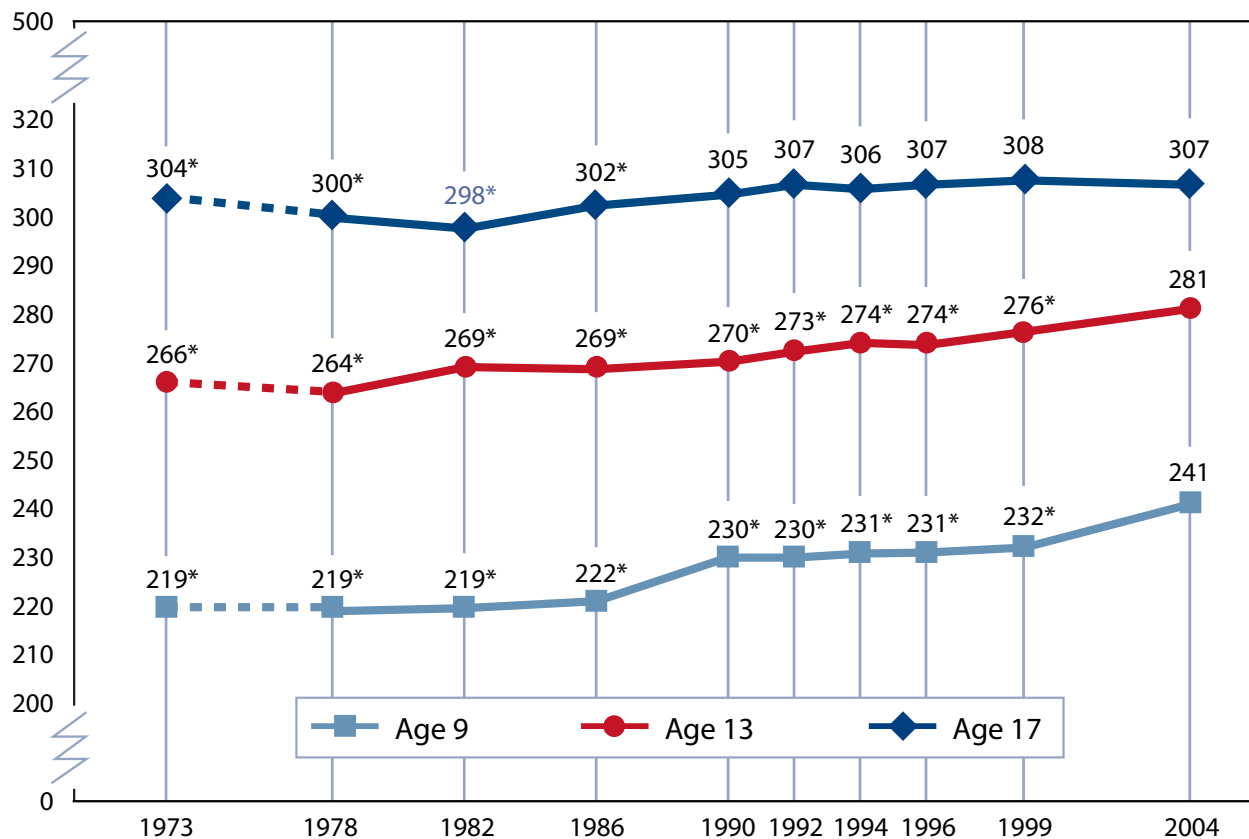


NAEP LONG-TERM TREND RESULTS FOR MATHEMATICS

TRENDS IN AVERAGE MATHEMATICS SCALE SCORES FOR STUDENTS AGES 9, 13, AND 17: 1973-2004



* Statistically significantly different from 2004

FINDINGS

- Nine-year-olds. The average mathematics score of 241 was higher in 2004 than in any previous assessment year.
- Thirteen-year-olds. The average score in 2004 was higher than in any other assessment year.
- Seventeen-year-olds. The average score in 2004 did not show a significant change when compared to the score in either 1973 or 1999.

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), selected years, 1973–2004 Long-Term Trend Mathematics Assessments.